

## Nate Staniforth Wows SJC Students with His Magic

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At nine o'clock on Thursday night, Saint Joseph's College students filed into the Halleck Ballroom for an amazing journey into the magical world of Nate Staniforth. Nate had his own special introduction in the form of a video, which showed him escaping chains while under the icy waters of a river, wowing previous audiences with his card tricks and even some footage of him performing a few small tricks in our own cafeteria at dinner that night.

After a few technical difficulties of getting the ballroom lights to come back on after the video, Nate came out and explained his first trick would be one of the more disgusting things most of the audience had seen in a while. Students watched in horror as he swallowed a long piece of thread, and then several needles. The audience was tense as he coughed for a few moments, but then flashed a brilliant smile to show he was fine. Nate then astounded the crowd by pulling the thread out of his mouth with all the needles neatly strung onto it.

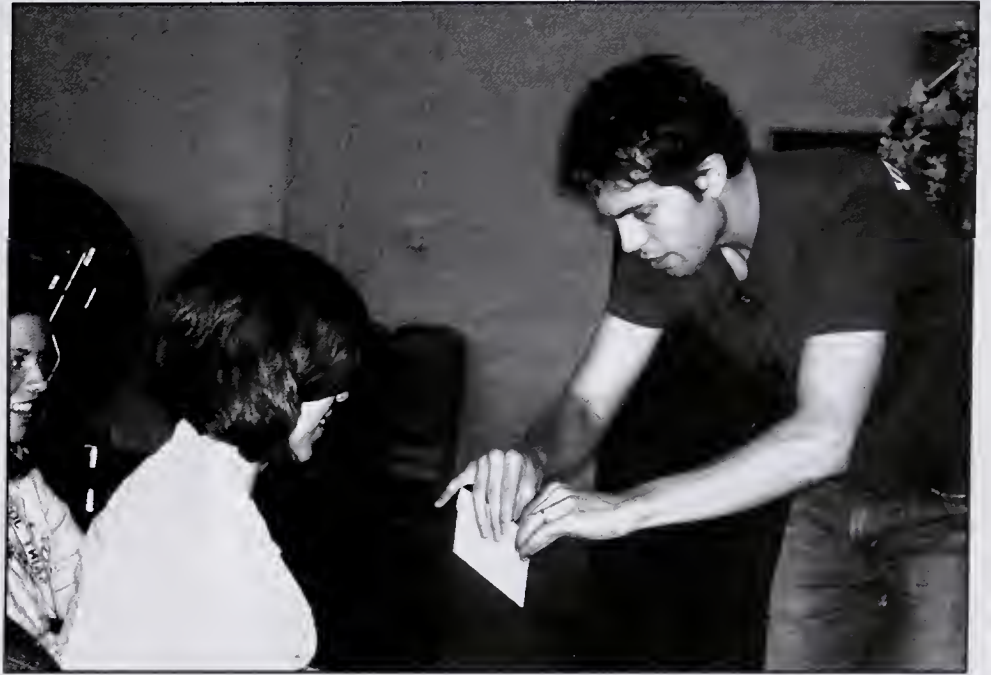
The mood for the evening was indeed set and Nate continued to impress students by transporting a card from a volunteer at one end of the room to one at the front and seemingly burning a dollar bill into oblivion but then miraculously revealing it had been in the hands of a stunned audience member the entire time.

Next came one of the most unnerving tricks of the evening. In an attempt to prove that magic can be done by all, Nate pulled a volunteer from the crowd to come sit onstage. Next he was asked to close his eyes, and imagine the ballroom and then a giant orange poster board on one of the walls with a number on it, Nate managed to get the skeptical student to guess the number he had put inside an envelope before the show. The volunteer carefully decided the number in his mind was 47, and then opened the envelope to reveal the number inside was indeed 47.

After such a strange and astonishing trick, Nate took a short break and the audience saw another video, this time of Nate visiting a preschool and amazing the children with his magic. When Nate returned, he did a trick in which an audience member had chosen a random word from the newspaper before the show, and he had a another audience member end up choosing that same word after moving her finger around with her eyes closed. After that, he attempted a mysterious prank call trick, but Dr. John was apparently not home and the trick could not go on.

To end out the show, Nate did a card trick in which someone from the audience called a friend and had them pick a card. Then Nate turned over the only card in the deck face down, revealing it was the same as the caller's friend had chosen.

The night was full of suspense, excitement and wonder and audience members left the show shaking their heads, trying to figure out just how Nate Staniforth had done it.



Pictured above: Freshman Sarah Fisher assures the audience the truth of the trick. Pictured below: Junior Maggie Hall is stunned by the card trick that Nate just performed. (Photos Courtesy of Jennifer Ruff)

## Chili at the Lake Made Possible Even Without the Lake

By Sabrina Butts  
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On Sunday, September 14, torrential rains put several plans on hold as students hid in the dorms in the attempt to remain dry. Few ventured outside unless it was to go splash in the giant puddle fondly known as "Lake IM" by many.

But the rain did not stop some from acquiring a bowl of delicious chili. This was because the Chili at the Lake wasn't specifically at the lake. It took place in a dry shelter beneath the chapel, with hot bowls of chili for anyone daring enough to venture out for one. And many did.

The Chili at the Lake is traditionally held at Lake Banet

with a bonfire and a multitude of bowls. This was, in fact, the first time the get-together was rained out, according to Brother Tim Hemm.

"We opened with a prayer, saying how thankful we were for the beautiful weather," Bro. Tim said cheerily. "Everyone laughed."

Word got out for the Chili dinner by way of mouth, mostly. The RAs let their floors know

and there were signs up in many of the dorms.

When it became apparent that if the chili was held on the lakeshore, the chili would become a little watery and the bonfire would have trouble burning due to the rain, Bro. Tim worked to get word out to the

campus. He notified many RAs and an announcement about it was made during the morning mass.

The actual event went smoothly, despite its last minute relocation.

Brother Tim and RAs Abigail Edwards, junior Math major, and Bridget McDermott, sophomore Elem. Education major, made the huge pot of chili, starting at 6:30 in the morning.

"This was my first year doing the Chili at the 'Lake' and I really enjoyed the time spent with the others, cooking in the wee hours of the morning," said Edwards. "It was very relaxing as we ate Brother Tim's wonderful chili."

The chili was a little hot, according to Brother Tim, but not quite hot enough to his personal preferences. That was fine with him, however, since he enjoyed seeing people, eating his chili and relaxing. "There were people who had as many as four bowls a piece."

Overall, the event went well in the eyes of those who made the chili. While there is hope next year for bright sunshine to match the fiery chili, Brother Tim would like to encourage anyone to come, come rain or sun. Because nothing is better than a bowl of chili, no matter the weather.

“It was very relaxing as we ate Brother Tim’s wonderful chili”

~Abigal Edwards~



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# Students Remember Much More Than Cook

By Jennifer Ruff  
News Editor

Walking into the cafeteria these days, one might feel a strange emptiness. On the Friday before Homecoming, the Saint Joseph student community lost a very important person. Her name was Lynn Frye, known to most students as the “Red Hot Chef”.

Students were hit hard by the news of her passing and the impact could be well seen throughout the college.

“Lynn always had a smile on her face and asked about your day. She genuinely cared about the students which made her feel like part of the family. The impact upon the student population was amazing after she was no longer with us. Everyone had something to say. It was obvious that she will be missed by everyone” stated Sophomore art major Andrew Dudich. Not long after Lynn’s passing, students began to think of a way to recognize her.

Junior Music Education major, Ben Gilsdorf began to plan

a “Wear Red For the Red Hot Chef” day.

“I thought it would be a good idea to create this day because many people were connected to Lynn through the cafeteria. I felt it would be great to have our community come together in support.”

Students jumped at the idea and some even took it a step further and decided to commemorate her a bit more by wearing blue eye shadow along with the red.

When a reason for the shadow was requested, Junior English major Maggie Hall answered, “Anyone who knew Lynn knew that she wasn’t seen without her eye shadow. I believe this is our little way of showing what she means to us. Lynn was an amazing person! She was like my mother on this campus. We will miss her bunches!” When asked what the Red Hot Chef meant to them, students had plenty to say. “Lynn always had a smile for me when I passed her station. There were days when her smile was the only thing that brightened my day. I already miss

her and I know this school will never be the same without her” replied Junior Creative Writing major Sandra Blum. “Talking to Lynn always brightened my day. She was

always ready with a smile, a kind word, and a killer plate of pirogues “said Junior Theatre major Roxie Kooi. Many students and faculty participated in this day and

proved that Lynn Frye was much more than just a cook at this college, she was a dear friend and she will be greatly missed.



(Students gather in front of the dear chef’s station wearing their commemorative attire)  
(Photo courtesy of Andrew Dudich)

## Volunteers Reach Out to Indiana Hungry

By Francisco Gonzalez  
Staff Writer

It has almost been a month since classes started at Saint Joseph’s College, and Campus Ministry is preparing to embark on a soup kitchen trip to Calumet City. An idle student might wonder what the purpose of such a venture would be, especially by choosing a city far up north as opposed to the many towns in Jasper County.

Well, there is no concrete purpose for the choice of city, but there is a more meaningful purpose for Campus Ministry to embark on the trip. Ary Nelson, who is head of the Campus

Ministry’s Volunteer Corps, stated that the goal of the Volunteer Corps’ participation in the Soup Kitchen is “to make a visible, concrete impact in both the local

Community and greater community of which our students, faculty, and Staffs are a part.”

Students participate in various ways, they help distribute the meals, and cook it as well. This is one of the great ways that St. Joseph College Students can help to fulfill the mission statement of this school which states: “To extend personal and professional services as a Church and public needs may require.” That is certainly evident in this event, as well as others conducted by Campus Ministry.

A quote from Senior James Smith sums up the purpose of this event: “Going on soup kitchens with Campus Ministry-Volunteer Corps has changed me in giving me a larger view of the world. Sometimes in a small town like Rensselaer, and even just on campus, it’s hard to see people who are hungry or don’t have a place to eat on Sundays. It puts a face to the hungry and the homeless-something I would not have otherwise experienced here at SJC.”

## Camping Retreat Provides a Much Needed Break For Students

By Christina Heath  
Staff Writer

Has the stress of school began bogging you down? All the homework, professors, deadlines, and everything else that comes with being in college. This coming weekend is the perfect chance to get away from the campus and just relax.

The campus ministry will be hosting its annual Fall Camping Retreat at Tippecanoe River State Park in Winamac from September 26-28. The retreat is designed to help students relax and recharge their batteries, while also gaining knowledge on personal spiritual paths. There will also be time for homework, for those of you worried about studying for midterms, but it is optional if you want to bring material.

packed with food, story telling, personal reflection, hiking, camp fires, friends, and more wonderful food. There will also be witness talks, and a candle lit prayer service, weather permitting.

Don’t worry if you do not wish to sleep on the ground. Students and staff will be staying in cabins at the site. The ministry does ask that you bring sleeping bags, bug repellent, a flashlight, and some snacks to share.

Kyle Rush, a senior Biology major, says “I really like the relaxed atmosphere. It’s a weekend you do not have to think about school at all.”

In past years, not many people have come to the retreat. I’ve been told approximately 5-10 a year. This year a new goal has been set with hopes of around 20 people (Let’s step up freshman!). If you are interested in going on

the retreat, you can find flyers in the Halleck Center, in the back of the Chapel, or from a member. If transportation is an issue, talk to a member or Brother Tim Hemm, who will help you out. It cost only \$25 to go, and arrangements can be made about this also. Reservations can also be made later if needed.

This retreat will be helpful to anyone, so I encourage people to come out. Even if you are not very religious, come out and relax for the weekend. Eat till you burst, and make some new friends that will last a lifetime.

## Are You On The Bus? Kairos L

By Ethan Merrick  
Staff Writer

Come one, come all aboard the bus. What bus? The bus headed to the Spiritual Life Center, where Kairos L is to be held. What is Kairos you ask?

Simply put, Kairos is life changing, a personal reflection and a time to meet new people. There are many things involved in the retreat including small group discussions, prayer, music, and a chance to make new friends,

The Kairos retreat is designed for the students; making sure that they are comfortable and relaxed.

“Be as involved as you want to be,” says Brother Tim Hemm, “you can sit back and listen or participate fully in the discussions. You will only be expected to do what you want to.”

The retreat is run by Brother Tim Hemm, the two Co-Rectors, Lisa Guzman and Kris McNeary, and the eight student leaders. The retreat is broken up into large group sessions, followed by small group discussions, and in between there is time to relax, mediate, and talk to the other members of your group.

One student considering attending Kairos L is Junior Music Major, Ben Gilsdorf. When asked what he hopes to take away from the Kairos retreat Ben responded, “I hope to gain some form of enlightenment in faith and friendship. I also hope it will allow me to look deeper into myself.”

The Kairos retreat is one of the important events at Saint

Joseph’s College, and that can be seen in the passion of the leaders of the retreat.

“There is something that just happens, a spiritual experience,” said Brother Tim Hemm, trying to find the perfect words to describe the Kairos retreat. In the end all Brother Tim Hemm can say is, “It {Kairos} is something that just has to be experienced.”

If you are interested in learning more about the Kairos retreat, contact Brother Tim Hemm

(timh@saintjoe.edu), or either of the two Co-Rectors Lisa Guzman (lgm5975@saintjoe.edu) and Kris McNeary (kmm6049@saintjoe.edu).



# Three-Ply Comfort Holds the Secret to Bliss and Career Success

By Mike Koscielny  
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As the monotonous cycle of reading, writing papers, and reading some more, I find myself in desperate need of some distractions. On occasion—when exploring all of the facets of the new Facebook cannot quench or cure my procrastination needs—I am forced to face that which no college student can avoid: tedious homework. It is because of this unavoidable plague that I find myself asking a typical, age-old question.

Why the hell am I doing what I'm doing?

Seriously, I still don't have an answer when people ask me what I want to do with my life or what I want to be when I grow up. But that's okay, because in my quest for aimless distractions, I discovered the world's only validated color-based career test (insert amazed gasp here). Simply

by knowing which primary, secondary and achromatic colors I prefer most and least, this test prescribes for me a successful career path based on how I approach work, the types of workplaces where I work best and how I handle work tasks.

If you don't believe me, go to <http://www.careerpath.com/career-tests/colorcareercounselor.aspx> and see for yourself. I took this little quiz because of a sheerly, morbid curiosity. According to this apparently "scientific" test, I am a Creator and a Persuader. I "place a high value on aesthetic qualities and have a great need for self-expression" and "sell, persuade, and lead others. Positions of leadership, power, and status are usually [my] ultimate goal." This test also informed me that my keywords, being someone who classified as a Creator archetype, are: "Nonconforming, Impulsive,

Expressive, Romantic, Intuitive, Sensitive, and Emotional," while my Persuader half is "Witty, Competitive, Sociable, Talkative, Ambitious, Argumentative, and Aggressive."

Apparently, as a Creator, I should be an Advertising Executive, Web Designer, Interior Decorator, Lawyer, Librarian, Author, Editor, or Landscape Architect. As a Persuader, I have to pay \$19.95 to view the full report. Also, to put the Education Department at ease, as a Creator, I will be a wonderful English Teacher.

Does that mean I can I have my degree? Who needs an education when anyone who prefers blue, green and brown will be a fantastic English teacher?

But seriously, I did find a career that appealed to my more practical side. I want to be a toilet-paper researcher. I don't know what it takes, but sign me

up. A group of these toilet-paper researchers has apparently created the softest toilet paper yet—a three-ply miracle (insert amazed gasp here). Apparently, this super-soft tookus tissue is being marketed to women 45 and older who view their bathroom as a "sanctuary for quality time."

I eat in the caf at least once a day. If there's a product out there that'll make my toilet trips any more enjoyable, sign me up immediately.

I decided to conduct my own "scientific" test to see if three-ply meant more comfort. To be honest, I was skeptical because I was under the assumption that the ply number simply meant that the toilet paper was stronger. I wandered on over to Wal-Mart with the sincere hope that I could find this holy grail of potty products.

Wandering into the proper aisle, the heavens opened and a choir of angels sang the

hallelujah chorus as I came upon this miracle of science. Leaving with it and a few other necessities (I was out of toothpaste if you must know), I giddily scampered back to my own personal throne room. After many rigorous tests, my "quality time" proved to be softer and more enjoyable with three-ply pleasures. If anyone doubts my claim, go get some and discover for yourself. I would offer people to come over and see for themselves, but I cannot afford that much toilet paper or toilet bowl cleaner.

In the future, I do genuinely believe that I should stick to doing my homework. Wandering around the interweb and surfing goofy news sites doesn't equal productivity; it only equals random editorials.

## Op-Ed: Germs Reaffirm Because Safety is the Key

By Katie Misiak and Sarah Wright  
Guest Columnists

As many of you fellow Pumas have noticed, there are new napkin dispensers in the food court. Everyone seems to have his or her own thoughts about this new addition. Here are personal opinions. Initially we were thinking that this was a frivolous purchase considering how proficient and cost effective the baskets have been.

The first thought that came to our minds was, "How much of our tuition is going toward these new dispensers as opposed to better food?" Over the past couple of days, it has come to our attention that the dispensers were absolutely free. Now that we are informed about the cost, the benefits of these new dispensers are more apparent.

One advantage is decreasing the amount of waste from students using too many napkins. Sophomore Aaron Esper claimed, "I think they are ok, they cut down on waste for sure." You could be that guy that grabs twelve napkins but only uses three of them. Don't be that guy. With the new dispensers, you are only able to grab one napkin at a time, which creates a challenge if you still plan on being "that guy."

The new dispensers also help reduce the spread of germs. This is just one of the many new ways the food court is improving with this issue. When asked her opinion, junior Shannon Williams said, "I like them because other people's nastiness can't get all over your napkin."

Have you ever been sitting at a meal and observed a rowdy group of people who happen to accidentally knock over their basket of napkins? Just think of how many germs have infected those napkins in the instant when

they hit the floor. Even more germs are added when they are picked up. Do you really want those germs on your mouth? Mmmm, that does sound good!

Even though there are several benefits to the new dispensers, they do not come without a few disadvantages. For instance, if you are sitting at a long table the dispensers prevent at least one person from sitting comfortably with his or her tray on the table. Someone will be inconvenienced either that way or just by the sheer bulkiness of the dispenser. Not only is size a problem, but the dispensers are also difficult to move due to the rubber stoppers.

We personally enjoy being able to scoot the napkins out of our way with a tray. You know you all have done this before. The new dispensers also appear to take our food court personnel longer to fill, as opposed to simply slapping a stack of napkins down in a basket. However, we greatly appreciate the fact that they are taking the time to help decrease the spread of germs for the sake of the students, staff, and faculty.

Nonetheless, there is hope for some of those beloved baskets at the HUB. So if you are one of those people who are afraid of change (you know, one of those people petitioning the new Facebook by joining eighteen different groups promising change) then you can find happiness in a trip down to the Halleck Underground Bistro.

In conclusion, most student opinions we have overheard have been negative, but hopefully we have helped you see that the new dispensers are not evil and are definitely not a waste (and that joining those useless groups won't bring back the old facebook).

## The Student Forum

Dear Editor,

The following is a response to the letter written by Elizabeth Gray, published in the last issue of the *Observer*.

Dear Elizabeth,

It comes as both a shock and a bearer of great shame for me that the commuter students have felt so ignored for so long. The shock part is in reference to the fact that the unhappiness of the commuter students had never once been discussed by the Executive Board of the Student Association— your letter proved to blindside us; the shame is in reference to that same fact. As officials whose purpose is to examine such matters, it is absolutely unacceptable that we were not more perceptive to the situation. I am truly sorry.

Apologies aside, it is now in our best interest to begin to move forward. As your letter was discussed with great interest at the last Executive Board meeting, we have reached several conclusions that we would like to implement, working alongside you and your fellow commuters to create an atmosphere befitting of Saint Joseph's College: an experience where EACH and EVERY student is a welcomed member of the student body. Our ideas are thus: first, to make sure that the commuter student lounge is a hub of information— we will press our ideas exponentially to both the Senate and the CCC, in order to make sure the commuter student population is well-informed of more events occurring on campus. As it should have been from the beginning, a renewed look at finding commuter representatives to fill the Senate seats will be undertaken, and your sensible advice regarding an email has been received most graciously. The Student Welfare Committee of the Senate has been alerted to your concerns regarding the meal plans for commuter students and will relay your questions to Eric

Braun immediately. In response to the Puma Guide situation: the Senate will be taking a hard look at this issue. We were unprepared— through no fault of our own— to decide the necessity of the Puma Guide for students on campus, especially as the Student Association was petitioned for the first time to put forth money to pay for the Guides. The end result of the situation was that the Student Association paid for Puma Guides for the freshman class, and the Student Development division provided them for the remainder of the resident students. The good news: President Mills has issued the order of 350 more guides— through no expense to the Student Association— to cover those students who did not receive one. Additionally, the Senate will continue to examine this situation, and you may rest assured that such a trial will not be experienced by the student body again.

It is my firmest expectation that you will see distinct and positive changes in the situation you brought to the attention of the student body, a service for which we are extremely grateful. For you and any other student reading this letter, please do not hesitate to contact any member of the Senate or the Executive Board with your concerns— and that is an invitation of the utmost sincerity.

In closing, Elizabeth, I tell you that your willingness to alert your fellow students of the grievances you have is not only a service to the commuter student population and the student body in general, but a sign of the love that you indeed have for SJC. I will do everything in my power to make sure that you are aware of how much we love you back.

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# Burn After Reading Sparks Questions in its Dark HumorThe Academy

By Melissa Piskula  
Staff Writer

*Burn After Reading* was directed by Ethan Coen and Joel Coen. After releasing the intense *No Country for Old Men*, the Coen brothers were ready to bring us a smart, dark comedy that will leave movie-goers guessing. *Burn After Reading* stars John Malkovich, George Clooney, Tilda Swinton, Francis McNormand and Brad Pitt.

The film opens with Osborn Cox (John Malkovich) in a meeting with his superiors in the CIA. After arguing about his most recent project, Cox finds out that he has been removed from the case. Infuriated by their lack of understanding regarding his attachment to the case, Cox walks out on the CIA—the career that has taken over his life for the past few decades. From his perspective his life is falling apart.

His home life started to fall apart years ago. While he has been working, his wife, Katie (Tilda Swinton), has been having an affair with her friend’s husband and she has been plotting to divorce him so that she is free to run away with Harry Pfarrer (George Clooney), the man her husband hates with a passion. Although he does not know about the affair, he is aware of his wife’s disgust towards him.

Since Cox now has all this time on his hands, he decides to write a memoir that tells anyone who is willing to read it about his encounters within the CIA.

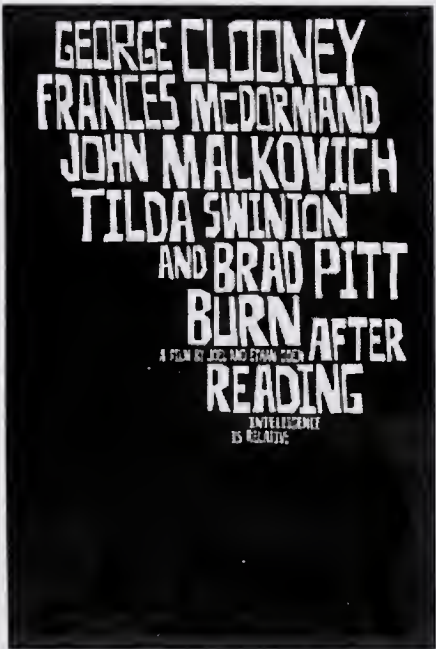
However, it is when Katie sees a lawyer that the story starts to unfold. She is told by her lawyer that if she is to go through with the divorce, she will want to back up all her husband’s financial records on a disc in order for her to get what is rightfully hers. But, instead of burning just the finance files, she ends up burning her husband’s memoir files without knowing. The only thing that could possibly happen next is for the disc to end up in careless hands, and that is precisely what happens: her lawyer’s assistant ends up leaving the disc at her gym.

What happens is two gym trainers, Linda Litzke (Francis McNormand) and Chad Feldheimer (Brad Pitt), find the burned CD. So, after a lot of digging, they find out who the disc belongs to; this is where they decide the only thing they should do is contact Cox informing him they have something he may want. They tell Cox that they will give the CD to him for a small reward. Linda, an aging trainer, is obsessed with the idea that plastic

surgery could solve all her problems; Linda is convinced this is how she will be able to afford the surgery she wants. Chad is an upbeat, sensitive guy who supports Linda on anything she may be going through; he is not opposed to asking Cox for money, however more than anything he is just fascinated with the mystery the CD brings to their lives. It is after they contact and eventually meet with Cox that suspense and comedy follows.

*Burn After Reading* is one of those movies that will leave you walking out of the theater saying, “What the hell did I just watch?”...but in a good way. The film is filled with plot that, to be honest, could not be summarized properly within a 500 word review. The film delivers tons of laughs and the suspense is present throughout. Just when you think you

have got the film all figured out, the ending leaves you in shock. If you want to check out a movie that is strange, humorous and lively then *Burn After Reading* is for you. It took me a while to realize that I highly enjoyed the movie, but it seems like that is



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Is...Caving In?  
By Jordan Leising  
Staff Writer

It seems that there is a pattern, a trend if you will, happening on the alternative music scene: some of the more popular bands in the genre are going mainstream, leaving their original styles and techniques behind for a “poppier,” happier music style in order to appeal to more audiences. The newest casualty in this epidemic is Chicago-based The Academy Is... (TAI ) with their new album “Fast Times At Barrington High.”

When I first listened to this album, especially the first track “About A Girl,” I thought I was not listening to TAI, but Boys Like Girls or even Plain White T’s. As you go through the album, you don’t get a sense it’s TAI until four tracks into the album, when lead-singer William Beckett’s signature falsetto and voice emerge in “The Test.”

Despite their “poppish” sound, these tracks are rather catchy. The track “Summer Hair-Forever Young” is a lovely little lick that features great guitar and TAI’s signature vocal harmonies. “Paper Chase,” a track that reminds you of the 90s band Blink-182, is one that will get your head banging and foot to tapping.

As the title might suggest, this album, while catchy and witty as TAI has been in the past, is better suited for teens in high school or even middle school. I first started listening to TAI during my senior year of high school and I was captured by the maturity and complexity of the two earlier albums, “Almost There,” and “Santi.” This album pulls away from that heritage, and loses some of that original rapache and appeal.

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## Patricia Briggs’ New Series May Lead New Readers to the World of Briggs into Confusion

By Erica Brown  
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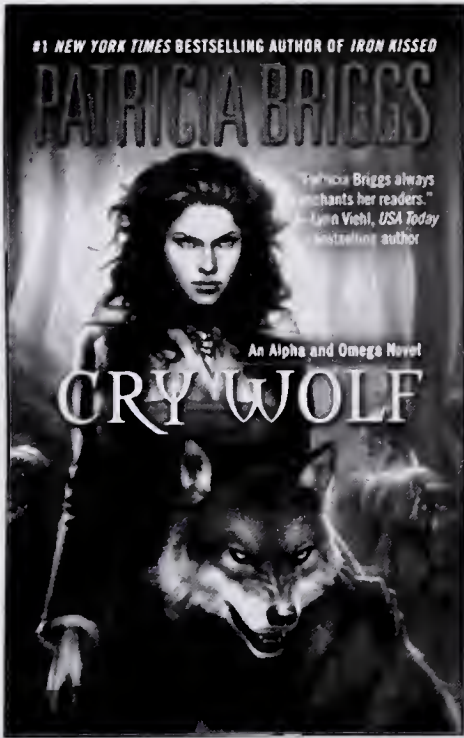
I was first introduced to Patricia Briggs by what I call the Faculty, Staff, and Student Book Exchange. I was given the first book in Briggs’ Mercy series, and I was hooked. I have spent my time since then impatiently stalking the Patricia Briggs website, waiting for the announcement that she is publishing a new book. You can probably imagine my excitement when I found out that she had written not only a new book, but a new series, which is a spin-off of an already existing series. *Cry Wolf* is the first book in what is to be called Briggs’ Alpha and Omega Series. The book starts off where the first book of the original series, *Moon Called*, ends.

*Cry Wolf* tells the story of Anna Latham, a werewolf from the Chicago area. In the story, Anna meets a man named Charles Cornick, who is the second son of the Marrok, the leader of the American werewolves. In the first chapter,

we not only see a change in scenery when the characters move to Montana, but also the start of a romantic plot. We discover that Charles and Anna are mates.

As the plot moves along, we see the beginning of two mysteries: a man called Asil and the disappearance of hikers in the Montana wilderness. As the climax nears, you are kept on your toes as Anna and Charles struggle to unravel the mysteries, while trying to understand the relationship that exists between them both.

Though *Cry Wolf* is the first book in a series, new readers to Briggs will have a hard time following along with the characters as a vast majority of them are already established characters in Briggs’ Mercy series. Because Briggs has already given background on many of the characters and some of the events talked about in the book, she does not do the same in this series. This will most likely frustrate new readers (though I was a big fan of this as I did not have to reread things I had already read in previous books).



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It is strongly suggested that readers read the novel *Moon Called* before picking *Cry Wolf* up, unless you enjoy being confused.

Old readers of Briggs, on the other hand, will be indefinitely delighted with this new story. The protagonist, Anna, is the same type of strong female lead that Briggs tends to write, despite some of the character’s own misconceptions of her own strength at the beginning. The

story also contains the same type of high action and mystery as her other series, although the plot moves along at a slightly slower pace. The story tends to explain the new characters in a more in-depth fashion than Briggs usually uses (she also explains a lot of back story on side characters in her other stories), using flashbacks and character’s thinking back to past events, probably more than needed. Also new to this book, Briggs changes the narrating character quite often. Where in other books, the narrator stays relatively the same for the entire story; in *Cry Wolf*, most of the story is told from multiple perspectives, never sticking with the same character for long.

Overall, *Cry Wolf* is a great book, full of exciting action and great characters, new and old. Though certain parts of the book are frustrating, especially for those who have not read the Mercy series, readers will still be delighted with the book and will be left waiting for the next installment. On my arbitrary scale of how good a book is, I give it a 9 out of 10, although new readers are likely to give it a 6 or 7 out of ten.

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Other Books by Patricia Briggs

Alpha and Omega

Masques

Dragon Bones

Raven's Shadow

Moon Called

The Hob's Bargain

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Slow Down

The Phrase that Pays

We've Got a Big Mess on Our Hands

Everything We Had

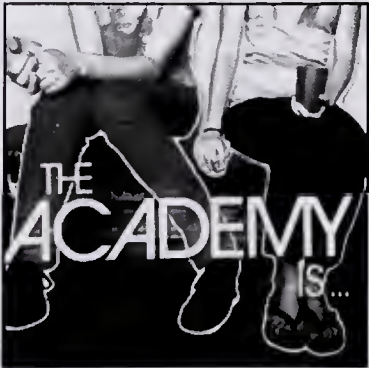
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Summer Hair = Forever Young



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## Courtesy and Communication with Roommates Can Promote Marital Bliss

By Danielle Marshall  
Features Editor

Life in college holds to a certain set of rules that often times get in the way of our real purpose on this planet: procreation. Sex aside, we must battle our inner horn-dogs and live peaceably with others.

Roommates can be the highlight and bane of our existence on this campus. And if you are going to hop on the sex-wagon (before you are actually committed to the person), you better have some understanding with your roommate(s).

We are social creatures and must learn to live together. And if any of you out there are planning on living in marital bliss, college dorm life is the perfect place to begin practicing cohabitation and communication.

For those of you lucky enough to have gone through most of your life as an only child or simply the child in your family who never had to share a room with another member of your family, you will have the most to adjust to during your time here. Sharing has probably never been easy for you.



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Freshman year is thus the perfect opportunity to start out on the right track in cohabitation. You are the lucky ones that start out with roommate contracts that will hopefully keep the peace between the two of you. The rest of us don't get this luxury of a written agreement.

No matter your year in school and the presence a roommate contract you can always work to better your

communication skills with your roommate and friend.

Most of you should know how to properly communicate what you want and what bothers you, or you just let it go on until you feel the need to suffocate your roommate with his pillow. Either way, my tips here will simply just go in one ear and out the other.

When it comes to studying, some roommates may work harder than others. I am a prime example of a lazy student. I do not study all that much, but I do get my work done. My roommate on the other hand works a lot harder than I do. I give her quiet when she needs it, and I will try to do work when she's doing hers.

Others out there don't

give their roommates that courtesy. If you have a phone call while she's studying, step out of the room and down to the lounge. (Talking on the phone in the hallway only offers up information for people to blackmail you with, because everyone can hear you in the hall.) Don't invite friends over or play music unless you check to see if it will disturb your roommate.

And for the sex fiends out there, please be courteous, not only to your roommate(s) but to the people who live next door to you. If you are going to shag, do so quietly and softly. If you make a lot of noise, try stuffing a sock in your mouth to muffle the sound. If you like it rough, try it on the floor.

And most importantly, work out a system with your roommate(s) so they don't walk in on that awkward moment. Just think about when you walked in on your parents. Don't be *that* person. Try a sock or a ribbon around the door handle. Stars on that dry erase board may help to indicate how long the two of you will be. And if those simple warnings for your roommate



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don't work, give them a call and ask if you can have the room to yourself for a while, but be polite. It's their room too and you can't possibly have that much energy. And don't forget to freshen the room with some Febreeze.

I know many of you will have disagreements and fights with your roommate. No one is 100% perfect on communicating their needs. But when those moments do occur, try working through it together before screaming down the hallway to your RA. They are busy enough and you can most likely work it out on your own with patience.

## Four *Better* Presidential Candidate Proposals For the Rest of Us

By Andrew Dudich  
Staff Writer

Through all of the mudslinging and millions of dollars squandered into Presidential campaigning, I still at don't know who has "won" my vote. The only thing the major party candidates have won from me is a loss of respect. Instead of spending most of their time away from their Senatorial posts, I find that time and money would have been better spent by simply donating their campaign funds to Jerry's Kids and then doing the job they already have. For instance, Illinois governor, Rod Blagojevich, has cut funding for state parks resulting in the closure of several wildlife facilities. Can Illinoisans (such as myself) seek out the help of our Senators to ask the governor to reconsider? Oh wait, Obama

isn't home. Obviously, neither John McCain nor Barack Obama has done exceptionally well at the idea of doing the jobs they're *already* assigned, so why should we reward them with further responsibility? I'd like to take this chance to introduce the Top 4 *better* candidates for the upcoming elections.

Coming in fourth place is forty-three year-old Jonathon A. Sharkey, an army veteran and adamant speaker against driving under the influence. Oh, and he's also a Satanic priest, serving as advisor for the Church of the Followers of Lucifer. He's famed for earning the endearing nickname, "The Impaler". Don't worry though. Sharkey promises only "impale criminals and terrorists, not law-abiding American citizens." (Source: MTV News) If you're looking for him on the ballot, he's listed as the candidate for the highly acclaimed 1<sup>st</sup> Vampire, Witches, Pagans, Party Regiment. Hopefully he won't get too upset if he loses the election, or the Statue of Liberty might end up skewered on the Washington Monument.

The third place candidate is a magna cum laude graduate from Princeton with an additional law degree from Harvard. If you think this guy doesn't know what he's doing, think again. These brains belong to none other than Green Party superhuman, Ralph Nader. Can you name anything either McCain or Obama has done to

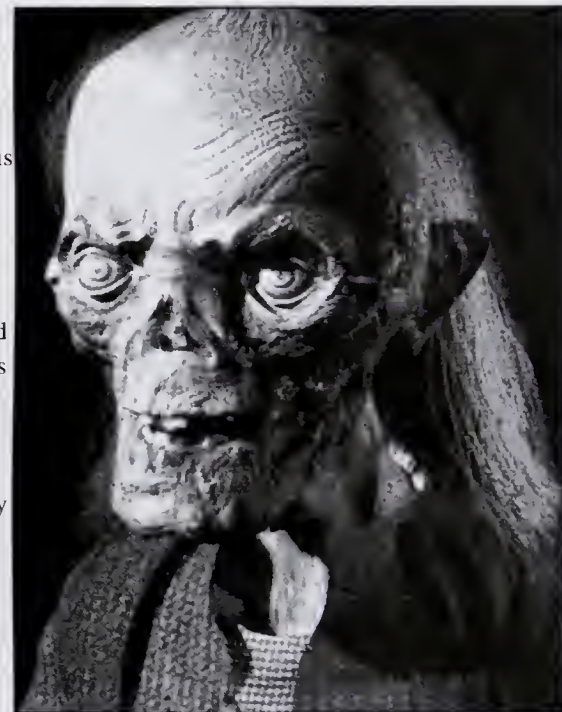
protect the American people? What about stricter safety requirements for American automobiles? Perhaps someone has helped spearhead laws providing cleaner drinking water for our cities? Who carries out actions to protect American businesses and jobs from foreign competitors? That last one sounds like an economic plan, so it can't be Obama or McCain... Nader's done it all. He invests his time and money into the American people not the American television commercial.

Holding the title of 2<sup>nd</sup> place, or perhaps 1<sup>st</sup> runner up as he would probably prefer, is a political genius. The only issue this man has flip-flopped on is what party he would be running for. Yes, I'm talking about the best satirist since Jonathon Swift's Modest Proposal, Stephen Colbert. Although the response to Colbert's declaration to run for the Presidency might not have been as dynamic as that of Swift's call for baby-eating, the roar of approval seemed to be much stronger than anticipated. Colbert is known for his tongue-in-cheek critique on politics and the nonsensical bureaucratic method of Washington. He is very direct concerning his views and would allow the American people to finally understand what their candidate supports. The State of the Union speech would be reduced to fifteen minutes of straight, honest information, and foreign relations would be shortened to a simple "Yes" or "Bug off!" Think of the uninterrupted sports games!

Sadly, it's all been called off, but there's always 2012.

Lastly is my personal favorite, a candidate who excels in every qualification and undisputedly has his heart one with America. Before I declare the winner of my vote, let me remind you of the Presidential requirements: The candidate must be a natural-born citizen of the United States, be

a resident for at least 14 years, serve no more than two terms, and be at least 35 years old. By my calculation, this Whig party candidate is over-qualified coming into the elections with 231 years of patriotic experience. I nominate the famous Henry Clay. Sure, he's a corpse, but the requirements do not state that a candidate must be among the living. You might venture to ask if communication would be difficult. Not so! He's agreed to have one maggot falling out of his ear for "pass", two for "veto". Henry Clay is known as "The Great Compromiser" and is one of the most perseverant candidates in history, running a total of 5 times for the Presidency. This is the type of man America needs today; a man



Henry Clay, the top placing better candidate for the presidential race for the upcoming election. Doesn't he look friendly? (Photo courtesy of [http://www.artie.com/cm/art/artists/jimludtke/images/ck\\_faced.jpg](http://www.artie.com/cm/art/artists/jimludtke/images/ck_faced.jpg))

who can negotiate, a man who loves America, and most importantly, a man who will never give up.

Don't let these major party candidates bamboozle you into voting for them simply because they say their opponent is a lipstick-wearing pig. America doesn't need a spokesperson that has the skillful charisma of designating Russia as goats with mascara or China as some other farm animal/beauty product combination. We need a President that can stand up for his/her country's citizens, tell America the truth, and defend not only her borders, but her reputation in a world which is beginning to look down on the country that we love.



The fourth place contender for presidential candidacy, Jonathon A. Sharkey. (Photo courtesy of [http://www.mtv.com/shared/promoimages/community/070703\\_finge\\_candidates/281x211.jpg](http://www.mtv.com/shared/promoimages/community/070703_finge_candidates/281x211.jpg))





Wide Receiver Mack Ogletree breaks a tackle as the Pumas win two straight. (Photo courtesy of Fr. Tim McFarland, C.P.P.S.)

2008 Team Statistics	2008 Individual Leaders
Points Per Game.....33.5	Passing: Mike Hladik-614 yds, 7 TDs
Rush Avg./Game.....151.0	Rushing: Terrence Freeman-317 yds
Passing Avg./Game.....158.5	Receiving: Jashon Banks-7 rec, 129 yds
Time of Possession/Game.....32:10	Defense: Ronnell Tibbs-28 tackles, 2 INTs

# Pumas Pour On The Points

By Dan Rogers  
Staff Writer

With Homecoming week-end in the rear-view mirror, the Puma football team is working vigorously to get back to a winning record. The Pumas have been on the road for two weeks now, and they seem to be making the best of it.

The Pumas earned their first win of the season when they traveled by bus to Virginia State on September 13<sup>th</sup>, winning a close one, 43-36. Running back Terrance Freeman rushed for 117 yards and a touchdown, while freshman quarterback Mike Hladik threw for 220 yards and a pair of touchdowns, connecting with receivers Scott Chapman and Robert Dutton.

The Puma defense intercepted three passes from the VSU quarterback Leonard Johnson. Defensive back, Ronnell Tibbs had two interceptions in the game, including one for a 55-yard touchdown. Tibbs made 13 tackles, and deflected two passes. Because of his accomplishments

in the game, Ronnell was named the Great Lakes Football Conference Defensive Player of the Week. "I really didn't do anything different," explained Ronnell Tibbs, "I was just focused. The first game of the year I wasn't focused and I didn't play a good game, so my coach just told me to play my game and stay focused, and that's what I did."

Linebacker Payne Schoen appreciated the tough win. "Last week our offense really started to move the ball," said Schoen. "They ran and threw the ball with ease, which is always a good thing to have. We have really gotten back to doing the little things right."

The Pumas continued their winning streak this past week, when they defeated Lake Erie College of Ohio on September 20<sup>th</sup>, winning 58-35. Sophomore running back, Jashon Banks, rushed for 179 yards, and three touchdowns. Mike Hladik also excelled in the passing game, throwing for 159 yards, and two touchdowns, to running back Terrance Freeman and sophomore

David Wallace. Defensive back, Ben Gomes helped the Puma defense snagging two of four Puma interceptions on the day.

With their record now at 2-2, the Pumas head to Lincoln, Missouri on September 27<sup>th</sup>, where they hope to continue their hot streak and return to school with a winning record. "As long as we execute our plays," says Schoen, "we have a good chance every week to win!"

Upcoming Football Schedule (All home games in bold)	
Sept 27	@ Lincoln (Mo.)
Oct 4	@ Missouri Sci. & Tech.
Oct 18	<b>Fairmont State (W.Va.)</b>
Oct 25	@ Kentucky Wesleyan
Nov 1	@ Southwest Baptist
Nov 8	<b>Central State (Ohio)</b>
Current Record: (2-2)	

## Lady Pumas Kick Into Overdrive

By Kynten Hannon  
Staff Writer

Despite being early in the season, the women's soccer team has already been plagued by debilitating injuries. Sophomore Jenny Merkel suffered a torn ACL during the first exhibition game against Valparaiso and is sidelined for the season. Freshman Stephanie Wiethop, who is currently tied for number one in scoring, was also sidelined temporarily because of a concussion. There have also been numerous pulled muscles and other various injuries to several players.

I sat down with several players and their head coach, L. Scott House to gain some perspective on their rough start. The players and coach expressed an overall confidence that the injured players would recover and the team would soon be back on their feet.

"The young players have really stepped up their game," said Coach House. "With all the injuries, they know that they are going to have to give a hundred and ten percent."

"We only lost two seniors last year and we have eighteen freshmen and sophomores this year," said senior Rachel Cobean. "It is going to take us a little bit to get into the swing of things, but we will get there." Freshman Stephanie Wiethop and junior Carmen Zayas both commented on the team's ability to work through these tough times.

"It doesn't really matter what age you are on this team," Zayas said. "The team judges you on your ability, not your grade level. They were great recruits to begin with, now we just have to



Senior Niki Carleton fights for position as the girls' soccer team hunt for their first victory. (Photo courtesy of Fr. Tim McFarland, C.P.P.S.)

work on chemistry as a team and recover from all these injuries."

"We are a very close-knit and positive team," said Wiethop. "It is just going to take us a little longer than usual to regain our footing because of all the injuries."

Another new feature of the team has been the addition of assistant coach Laura Hallauer, who served as a midfielder for University of South Dakota from 2002- 2006. "She has been an amazing coach. She is very knowledgeable and has helped us improve a great deal in the little time she has been here," said Zayas.

The Lady Pumas lost to Lewis and Wisconsin-Parkside this past weekend. Despite what the team has encountered thus far, the Lady Pumas have little doubt that they will soon be back contending for the conference championship. As any individual player encounters a new

challenge, her teammates are right behind her, cheering her on and supporting her. The strong connection amongst the players was best typified by Senior Niki Carleton: "These girls are like my sisters. I love them. They are what get me through the day."

Girls' Soccer Upcoming Schedule (All home games in bold)	
Sept 26	@Quincy
Sept 28	@Missouri Sci & Tech
Oct 3	@Oakland City
Oct 5	@Northern Kentucky
Oct 10	<b>Drury</b>
Oct 12	<b>Rockhurst</b>
Oct 17	@Missouri-St. Louis
Oct 19	@Southern Indiana
Oct 24	<b>Kentucky Wesleyan</b>
Oct 26	<b>Bellarmine</b>
Current Record: (0-7)	

## Kimbo Trains For 2012

By Shana Dempsey,  
Staff Writer

Who's Kimbo, you ask? He's a Puma to keep your eye on.

The person I'm talking about is freshman Josh Kimberly. Ever since he began his senior year in high school, he's acquired the nickname "Kimbo" and is still referred as such on the SJC campus.

Kimberly attended Hononegah High School in Rockton, Illinois and was in swimming and cross-country in high school. However, since fifth grade Kimberly has enjoyed one sport above all others—track.

"I just thought I would try it out and my mom wanted me to stay out of trouble," said Kimberly of his experience. "I've been jumping since I was 10 and I just stuck with it until I started to stand out. I have practiced and practiced and trained and trained to get where I am today."

With Kimberly working hard in high school, his efforts paid off. Kimberly jumped 24 feet at the Northern Illinois Invitational, which put him as the number one long jumper in the state of Illinois. Besides the long jump, Kimberly runs the 200-meter dash, the 55-meter dash, 100-meter dash, and the 4-x100 meter relay. He said that now that he's in college he's thinking about trying the triple jump.

Now that Josh is in college he would like to pursue his dream of training for the Olympics. "It's been my dream since I was 10 years old. Olympic qualifying for the long jump is just over twenty-seven feet," says Kimberly. "I have four years to improve three feet and I normally improve a foot or more each season, so I'm really



Freshman Josh Kimberly is currently training for the Olympics. (Photo courtesy of Josh Kimberly)

close," he says. "I'll keep training for the next Olympics every four years until I'm old and not able to compete anymore. The ideal qualifying years will be 2012, 2016, 2020, and possibly 2024 but I'll be 34 in 2024 so we'll see."

However, he does have a plan if he is not successful with his training. Kimberly is studying to become an athletic trainer or a P.E. teacher at SJC.

I asked Kimberly how his college practices have been so far and what a typical day was like while he's training. He stated that a typical day consisted of running for twenty to twenty-five minutes, which is a two or three-mile run. They stretch as a team and do drills based on what events each person does. Three days a week they lift weights, but Thursdays are their big work-out days. "I always eat fruit and veggies, [drink] lots of milk, protein and carbs, and lots of bread and meat. I also drink a lot of water," said Kimberly.

"I have come to realize that what I did in high school means nothing in college level competition, but I'm still looking forward to improving." Be sure to keep an eye out for Kimbo in 2012.



## The NFC North Up For Grabs In 2008

By Patricia Roeder  
Staff Writer

Needless to say, the beginning of the NFL season has given us several surprises. For instance, the Bears beating the Colts at home! Who'd have thought it? For the first time I thought Kyle Orton looked great—a rather pleasing thing to see, if you're a Bears fan. Peyton was a little rusty, but I don't think that lost the Colts the game. The offensive line was seriously struggling against the Bears defense. And of course, Tom Brady is out for the season. That's a huge eye-opener. It's like saying good-bye to the Super Bowl the first chance you get.

Week 2 was also interesting. The Colts were eight seconds from starting 0-2 against the Vikings, when Vinatieri saved the day on his second field goal attempt. The Bears lost to Carolina and there was an NFC match-up between the Packers and the Lions.

This week I'd like to zoom in on the NFC North. The Packers are, statistically speaking, the best team in the division. They are doing well without Bret Favre, and that's no small accomplishment. I think it's conceivable that the Bears could give them a run for their money. It's too early to see if either team has Super Bowl potential and both teams have

room for improvement, but I like what I see in the Bears and the Packers. The Vikings held off the Colts for three quarters, but failed to win because they didn't finish up on offense. Scoring five field goals will not get you a victory. Just one touchdown would have guaranteed them a win in this game. Their defense was pretty solid, but the offense did not produce enough. Coach Brad Childress didn't waste any time trying to recharge the offense, pulling the plug on quarterback Tavaris Jackson in favor of Gus Ferrotte.

And for the umpteenth time, the Detroit Lions are the worst in their division. They got walloped by the Falcons and Packers, and this past week were crushed by the 49ers. The future does not look bright for the Lions thus far.

Briefly I'm going to predict Week 3's outcomes in the NFC North. This very dangerous for me to do because 1.) I'm a blonde female and 2.) Everyone is reading my predictions and I could very quickly become the

campus blowhard. Just remember, I am human.

I pick Carolina to beat the Vikings. If the Vikings don't give more on offense, Carolina will have a win on the road. Carolina's offense is generally dependable and has an adequate defense. San Francisco will edge out the Lions. I picked the 49ers because they won in Overtime last week against the Seahawks, plus they're playing Detroit.

With much trepidation, I pick Dallas over Green Bay. You have no idea how much I anguished over this decision. Both teams are pretty strong. The only reason I chose Dallas was the experience. Aaron Rodgers is a brand new starter, and even though he's done well, I think experience will help Dallas in the long run.

Finally, my upset special is the Bears over the Bucs. With the Bears at home and a decent running game, I'm convinced the Bears are capable of beating Tampa Bay. Plus I think the Bears defense will stop Tampa's running game. Stay tuned for more surprises as the season rolls onward.



Brandon Lloyd and the Bears lost in overtime Sunday against Tampa Bay. (Photo credit: [www.chicagobears.com/userfiles/image/default/Lloyd\\_inside\\_092108.jpg](http://www.chicagobears.com/userfiles/image/default/Lloyd_inside_092108.jpg))



Adrian Peterson and the Vikings rolled over Carolina in Week 3. (Photo credit: [http://static.nfl.com/static/content/catch\\_all/nfl\\_image/a\\_peterson\\_080921\\_02\\_QT.jpg](http://static.nfl.com/static/content/catch_all/nfl_image/a_peterson_080921_02_QT.jpg))

## Colts Cannot Win Without Bob Sanders

By David Spencer  
Sports Editor

When safety Bob Sanders sprained his ankle in Week 2 trying to tackle Adrian Peterson of the Minnesota Vikings, the power shifted in the AFC South. No longer are the Colts leading the

division they've won six straight years.

Without Sanders, the 2007 Defensive Player of the Year, anybody can run on the Colts defense. Barack Obama could run through those holes—heck, even John McCain could make it through those holes in the Colts defensive front, which are bigger

than Sarah Palin's home state (Idaho, not Alaska, although they might as well be that big).

The Colts lost after Josh Scobee of the Jaguars kicked a 51-yard field goal with four seconds left after Peyton Manning and the Colts' offense drove downfield to take the lead so fast that they left 67 seconds left on the clock for the Jaguars. Scobee's kick gave the Jaguars their first win, and gave the Colts their second loss. The Colts have yet to win in Lucas Oil Stadium, including the preseason.

Although the Colts lost in the final seconds, what really cost them the game was the defensive effort. In three games this season, the Colts have allowed four running backs to gain 100 yards (Sunday, Jacksonville's Maurice Jones-Drew and Fred Taylor each went over the century mark). Bob Sanders will be out 3-5 weeks with his injury, and until he returns, the Colts are going to be hard-pressed to stop anybody.



Joseph Addai and the Colts lost a knockdown drag-out war against the Jaguars. (Photo credit: [http://www.colts.com/images%5Cnews\\_photos%5Cgameday\\_dump%5C\\_jlv5137.jpg](http://www.colts.com/images%5Cnews_photos%5Cgameday_dump%5C_jlv5137.jpg))

## Puma Golf Profile: Michael Hrunek

By Jamie Fennessy  
Sports Writer

**Major:** Business Administration

**Hometown:** Valparaiso, Indiana

**Favorite Sport To Play Other Than Golf:** Volleyball, Badminton, Frisbee

**Favorite Saint Joseph's College Golf Memory:** Winning "Freshman of the Year" for Golf

**Favorite Band:** Lil' Brother and Kanye West

**Favorite Movie:** Shawshank Redemption

**Favorite Club To Use:** I never miss with a 7-Iron.

**Goal For This Season:** For the team to qualify for super regionals

**What You Like To Do In Your Free Time:** Chill, play catch, and eat peanut butter sandwiches



Michael Hrunek has made All-GLVC Honors for the last two years.

**Who are you going to vote for?** Barack Obama

**Favorite Café Meal:** Everything of course

**Harry Potter or Lord of the Rings:** Lord of the Rings

**Favorite Professor:** Sr. Patricia Robinson

## Men And Women's Golf Teams Tee Off To An Impressive Start

By Clark Teuscher  
Sports Information Director

The Saint Joseph's College men's golf team finished ninth at the University of Indianapolis Invitational played at Heartland Crossing in Camby, Indiana. The Greyhounds bested the field with a three round total of 870, four shots better than runner-up Ferris State.

After the first two rounds the Pumas were positioned in eighth place, but only three shots out of sixth. A final day 317, however, pushed SJC back one spot on the leader board. Mike Hrunek (Sr., Valparaiso, IN/Valparaiso) led the Pumas with a 14<sup>th</sup> place finish, shooting a three-round total of 223.

Eddy Sheptak (Sr., Valparaiso, IN/Valparaiso) shot 231 to place 34<sup>th</sup>, while Travis Ranegar (Jr., Valparaiso, IN/Valparaiso) was 46<sup>th</sup> with 246. Joel Hanger (So., Lake Village, IN/North Newton) was 55<sup>th</sup> with 249 and Tommy Durr finished 81<sup>st</sup> with a 267. Playing as an individual, Donnie Light finished 63<sup>rd</sup>

with a three-round total of 242. Justin Hueber of Indianapolis fired rounds of 72, 68, and 68 to finish eight-under par and win the tournament. Bleu George of Tiffin shot 75, 70, and 71 to place second.

The women's golf team finished second at their own invitational last Monday, nine shots behind champion Tiffin University. Maggie Hobbs (Sr., Indianapolis, IN/Ben Davis) led the team with an 86, taking home medalist honors by two shots over Brittney Lynch of Tiffin and Ashley Arnold of Kalamazoo College.



Maggie Hobbs bested a field of 18 to win the SJC Invitational.

### Men's Golf Schedule

**Sept 28-29**  
Grand Valley State Invitational - Allendale, MI

**Oct 13-14**  
Riverman Invitational  
Winghaven C.C. O'Fallon, MO

**Apr 9-10**  
GLVC Championships  
Otter Creek - Columbus, IN

### Women's Golf Schedule

**Sept 27-29**  
GLVC Fall Preview  
The Orchards G.C. - O'Fallon, IL

**Oct 4**  
Manchester Invitational  
Honeywell G.C.  
North Manchester, IN

**Apr 25-26**  
GLVC Championships  
Kokopelli G.C. - Marion, IL



# Karma and the Cosmos



By Star Goddess Sophia

**Aries** (Mar. 21-Apr. 19)  
Patience will most certainly be a virtue as you will find relatively annoying circumstances occurring around you left and right. But never fear, help from a professor or close friend will come your way soon.

**Taurus** (Apr. 20-May. 19)  
You may be feeling the mood to splurge a bit on something expensive this week. Extravagance can be okay in small doses but don't go too overboard or you may find your credit card bills will be far too much to handle...

**Gemini** (May 20-June 20)  
You have been feeling far too busy as of late and these feelings have led you to want to be a bit more elusive than normal. But hiding will not help you with everything right now. Finish things and relief

will soon be in sight.  
**Cancer** (June 21-July 21)  
Romantic feelings are in the air for you this week. In spite of wanting to become immersed in these emotions you should pay attention to a friend who may be in a slump and need your help. Romance can wait while your friend cannot.

**Leo** (July 22-Aug. 22)  
This week there will be a distinctive clash between you and a friend. You may feel anger about past occurrences. Remember, stubbornness may not always be the best way to fix things.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 21)  
You are feeling more daring than usual this week. You should use those feelings to try out a new activity or meet some new people. But don't

go too crazy or you might get hurt!

**Libra** (Sept. 22- Oct. 22)  
You are feeling rather charming as of late. Try to put your best foot forward around campus and you may find that your social network will grow. You might even gain a new acquaintance who will help you reach your goals.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
You are feeling tender towards others and may wish to lend a helping hand this week. Even though being selfless can be good, do not forget about yourself in the process or you may begin feeling overwhelmed.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 20)  
A slight change in atmosphere may help you to get out of a slump. Purchasing a new item for your room or going on a trip somewhere off campus may

help you to feel better.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 21-Jan. 19)  
Be prepared to put some plans that you have been making on hold this week in order to follow through with a past commitment. It might surprise you to find that following through with your promise will help you later on.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 17)  
The gossip mill is in full swing lately. Try not to become too immersed in the Puma rumors and instead concentrate on school. You may find a boost of positive energy will come from this change in concentration!

**Pisces** (Feb. 18-Mar. 20)  
You will need to assume a role of confidence which you may not feel right now in order to reach a goal you have previously set. Hesitance will push you back but a more self reliant attitude will help you to move forward.

## Overheard

*If you've heard anything scandalous at the cafeteria, anything outrageous enough that you can't keep it to yourself, then look no further! Submit your anonymous comments to erm6109@saintjoe.edu today to let your peers' voices be heard!*

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Have fun with your ulcer!

~  
Imagine what the world would be like if babies grew on trees...

~  
On my tombstone, I want "Best if Used By" above my death date.

~  
Sarah Palin hates Wailord.

## Fact of the Matter

Dark Side of The Moon (a Pink Floyd album) stayed on the top 200 Billboard charts for 741 weeks. That is 14 years.

The lifespan of a squirrel is about nine years.

Leonardo da Vinci could write with one hand and draw with the other at the same time.

The only insect that can turn its head 360 degrees is the praying mantis.

More People use blue toothbrushes over red ones.

Muppets creator Jim Henson first created Kermit in 1955 - as a lizard. He was made from Henson's mother's coat and two halves of a Ping-Pong ball (no flipper feet or eleven-point collar).

According to NASA, the U.S. has the world's most violent weather. In a typical year, the U.S. can expect some 10,000 violent thunderstorms, 5,000 floods, 1,000 tornadoes and several hurricanes.

Facts Courtesy of  
[www.angelfire.com/ca6/uselessfacts](http://www.angelfire.com/ca6/uselessfacts)

## Words of Wisdom

"Everything has its beauty but not everyone sees it."  
Confucious

"Humor is the great thing, the saving thing. The minute it crops up, all our irritations and resentments slip away and a sunny spirit takes their place."  
Mark Twain

"We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools."  
Martin Luther King Jr.

## Fountain Stone Theaters

Movies for September 25  
(219) 866-2222  
[fountainstonetheaters.com](http://fountainstonetheaters.com)

**Burn After Reading**  
Fri: 5:00, 7:10, 9:00 (R)  
Sat: 2:50, 5:00, 7:10, 9:00  
Sun: 2:50, 5:00, 7:10  
Mon-Thurs: 5:00, 7:10

**The House Bunny**  
Fri: 4:50, 7:00, 9:00 (PG-13)  
Sat: 2:40, 4:50, 7:00, 9:00  
Sun: 2:40, 4:50, 7:00  
Mon-Thurs: 4:50, 7:00

**Lakeview Terrace**  
Fri: 4:40, 6:50, 8:50 (PG-13)  
Sat: 2:30, 4:40, 6:50, 8:50  
Sun: 2:30, 4:40, 6:50  
Mon-Thurs: 4:40, 6:50

**Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants 2**  
Fri: 4:20 (PG-13)  
Sat: 2:10, 4:20  
Sun: 2:10, 4:20  
Mon-Thurs: 4:20

**The Woman**  
Fri: 4:30, 6:40, 8:50 (PG-13)  
Sat: 2:20, 4:30, 6:40, 8:50  
Sun: 2:20, 4:30, 6:40  
Mon-Thurs: 4:30, 6:40

**Tropic Thunder**  
Fri: 6:30, 8:40 (R)  
Sat: 6:30, 8:40  
Sun: 6:30  
Mon-Thurs: 6:30

## The Ritz Cinema

Movies for September 25  
(219) 866-0086  
[www.ritzcinema.net](http://www.ritzcinema.net)

**The Incredible Hulk** (PG-13)  
Every night at 7:30

Coming Soon

The Dark Knight

## Puzzle Time!

### Across

- 1 Portrait with features exaggerrated for comic effect (10)
- 6 Counterfoil of cheque (4)
- 10 Roman god of love (5)
- 11 Partner (9)
- 12 Possess (3)
- 13 Evade (5)
- 14 Contribution (5)
- 15 Inspect (7)
- 17 Defeat heavily (7)
- 19 Unaffected (7)
- 21 Mysterious (7)
- 23 Power (5)
- 25 Grass cutter (5)

- 27 Tear (3)
- 28 Deficit (9)
- 29 Influence (5)
- 30 Frame holding glass in window (4)
- 31 Likeness (10)

### Down

- 1 Tropical storm (7)
- 2 Contrite (9)
- 3 Beg (5)
- 4 Speak badly of (7)
- 5 Admiration (7)
- 7 Hobo (5)

- 8 Respire (7)
- 9 Bitterness (8)
- 16 Annoy (8)
- 18 Infamous (9)
- 19 Inescapable agent of downfall (7)
- 20 Pain in lower back (7)
- 21 Wild primula (7)
- 22 Revolving cylinder used for winding cable (7)
- 24 Sheen (5)
- 26 Happen again (5)

Puzzle Courtesy of  
[www.askoxford.com/wordgames/crosswords/crosswordarchive](http://www.askoxford.com/wordgames/crosswords/crosswordarchive)

